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
Selaginella maritima, a lovely moss-like plant for a sunless window; exquisite green foliage.

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GEO. W. PARK, Libonia, Franklin Co., Pa.

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Rocket, Sweet, finest mixture of all kinds and colors. Very beautiful and fragrant flowers in large panicles.

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Valeriana, often called Garden Heliotrope; clusters of sweet flowers of various colors; hardy.

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Pyræthrum roseum, Perennial Cosmos, mixed.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Mr. Park:—Growing beside my office window is a very large crab-apple tree and whose delicious fragrance was borne to me on the balmy spring days, from millions of white blossoms. After the fruit was as large as currants, the branches drooping with their weight, while walking under it one evening I was astonished to see large white blossoms, which I could hardly believe belonged to the tree. On examination they proved to be the second growth of bloom as large as a silver dollar, borne on long stems and as double as a Persian or Agrippina Rose. They somewhat resembled an Oleander, but were far more delicate in texture, the frail, shell-like, pure white petals, so beautifully curved, were wonderfully lovely. I took a branch with blossoms and fruit, to a neighbor and everyone seeing them exclaimed, "What is it? Oh, did you ever see anything so beautiful?" There were about twenty of these blossoms. I intended to mark one or two and see if they produced fruit, but before I knew it, all had been given away as curiosities.

There are two species of yellow violets growing wild here, of which I send you specimens. I cannot distinguish any difference in the flower, but the leaf of one is deeply cut, while the other has the ordinary leaf of the Violet family. I was not fortunate in securing a good floral specimen of the latter. Under similar conditions, its blossoms are just as large as the other.

Mrs. Gertrude Hall.

Gold Run, Cal., May 12, 1900.

Mr. Park:—I've taken the Magazine for more than six years, and it seems like reading letters from those I know. Your friendly answers to questions make it evident that you realize our needs, and have a true interest in the success of your floral friends. May God bless you with many more years of usefulness.

Mrs. Kittie C. Triplett.

Mississippi Co., Ark., Apr. 12, 1900.

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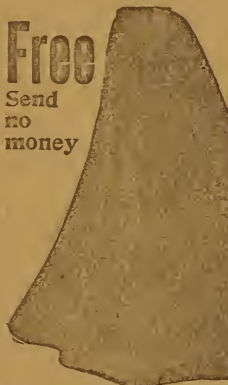
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We desire to call special attention to this improvement. The instrumental attachment enables any ordinary player to imitate perfectly the tone of the mandolin, guitar, harp, zither and banjo. Music written for these different instruments, with and without piano accompaniment, can be rendered just as acceptably by a single player on the piano as though played by a parlor orchestra.

PRICE We aim to make the best piano possible, and to sell it at the lowest price possible. Wing Pianos are not sold through agents. They can be bought in only one way—that is direct from our factory. On account of the large number of pianos we sell our profits are small, and when you deal with us the difference between the actual cost of manufacture and the price you pay is very little. If you wish to buy a fine piano at a low price, write us.

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SENT ON TRIAL **FREIGHT PREPAID.** We will send the above piano, or your choice of four other styles, to any part of the United States on trial (all freight paid by us), allow ample time for a thorough examination and trial in the home, and, if the instrument is in any particular unsatisfactory, we will take it back at our own expense. No conditions are attached to this trial. We ask for no advance payment, no deposit. We pay all freight in advance. Our object in offering these terms is to give everyone an opportunity to examine the Wing Piano free of expense or risk.

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WATER LILIES.

Waxen Lilies, pure and sweet,
Resting in their cool retreat,
Where the shadows dark and deep
Love in limpid depths to sleep;
Where the Ferns and Grasses peep
At their image mirrored deep,
Where the dimpled waves caress
Bending boughs in playfulness.

Emma C. Hinrich.

Lamoure Co., N. Dak., Apr. 19, 1900.

THE SCARLET WIND- FLOWER.

ANEMONE FULGENS, the Scarlet Windflower, shown in the engraving, is one of the most brilliant flowers in cultivation. The large blooms, which appear in masses in early spring, are of a showy, rich scarlet, with center of dark stamens, and a bed of the plants in full bloom in the sunshine is dazzling to the eye, surpassing in brilliant effect that of any other hardy perennial.

The Scarlet Windflower does well either in pots in the window or conservatory, or in a shady spot out-doors. It has tuberous roots which spread, and the plants are readily propagated by division. They like a partial shade, and a moist but well-drained soil. They appear well as a border, or as the front row for a bed of shrubbery, and always elicit great admiration. The tubers or plants should be set out in spring, or at least before autumn, to become established so as to endure the winter. If obtained in autumn they should be kept in pots till spring, then bedded out. Avoid wet, undrained soil; it will cause the tubers to rot. In well-drained soil they are perfectly hardy when once established. The plant is a native of southern Europe, being found in a limited area south of France.



ANEMONE FULGENS.

PRECAUTIONS.

DON'T throw away the bones from your kitchen, but plant them about twelve inches under the soil, near the roots of your hardy Roses.

Don't be taken in by glowing advertisements. Buy from reliable firms, and get reliable stock.

Don't let your Sweet Peas go to seed. If you do the blooming season will be shortened. Don't forget to mulch them with lawn clippings during July.

Don't neglect catching all injurious worms or bugs you find on your plants. Six today will be twelve to-morrow.

Don't expect your Geraniums to blossom all summer and all winter, too. Raise new ones for winter, and have them six months old by November or December.

Don't forget to loosen the soil around your Roses, and give them a good soaking once a week.

Don't be afraid to cut your Roses; it improves them. Don't neglect giving them manure water occasionally through the summer.

K. W. Lawson.

Bergen Co., N. J.

Tuberous Begonias. — Tuberous-rooted Begonias are nice summer plants. I put one bulb in a tomato can. I know of no plant that will give more pleasure for the same amount of money and care. The foliage is often as nice as that of Rex Begonias. I have found the nicest foliage on those with the yellow blossoms, but this may not always be the case. Aunt Anna.

Lincoln Co., Wash., Apr. 12, 1900.

Begonias.—B. Feastii, Gilsonii, Metallica and Dewdrop will keep your windows beautiful all winter.

Winstanley Park, Ill. Mrs. E. M. A.

Park's Floral Magazine.

A MONTHLY. ENTIRELY FLORAL.

GEO. W. PARK, Editor and Publisher,
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NOTICE.

In answering an advertisement study it carefully to avoid any misunderstanding. The writers of advertisements are not always able to make their statements clear. For instance an advertiser has some valuable article to offer agents, in consideration of a certain amount of work, and states in his advertisement that he will send certain mentioned articles and his offer of some other article. The reader should understand that he will send the mentioned article, and simply his proposition or offer of the other article, and not the article itself. Keeping in mind these points will often prevent much disappointment.

Another matter to be mentioned here is that the editor is not responsible for statements made in advertisements. While no fraudulent advertisement is knowingly admitted to the Magazine columns, there are no two persons think alike on any subject, and the space sold the advertiser is used by him to make his own statements, and he, alone is responsible for them. It is rare that anyone is disappointed in answering an advertisement in the Floral Magazine, and when disappointment does occur it is mostly because the meaning was not understood, rather than to the failure of any agreement of the advertiser.

Cannas Turning Brown.—When growing Cannas like plenty of room at the roots, and plenty of water. If allowed to become too dry the leaves will turn brown. Under such circumstances the plants should be transferred into larger pots, and watering carefully and liberally attended to. The plants do well bedded out, and thrive and bloom fully exposed to the sun, if the soil is kept moist. If the bed is mulched with stable litter as warm weather approaches the plants will be benefitted.

Propagating Tree Pæonies.

Tree Pæonies are propagated by grafting the young bud in early spring into a common old-fashioned red Pæony. The eyes of the root are removed, to throw the strength into the graft, which is inserted in an incision in the side of the root. It requires several years to raise blooming plants from grafts. The grafting is done early in spring, just as the young buds begin to start.

Dahlias Without Tubers.—Some of the wild Dahlias of Mexico do not have tuberous roots, and occasionally plants from seeds and cuttings fail to develop tubers. The fact is inexplicable.

HYDRANGEA HORTENSIS.

THIS is the Hydrangea usually grown as a window plant at Easter, and also as a decorative flowering plant in summer. It thrives in a rich, rather tenacious clay soil mixed with sand. For the small plants with large clusters of bloom early in spring take cuttings at the third joint from the bud, remove the two lower leaves, and insert firmly in a compost of loam, sand and manure, with drainage, using a six-inch pot. Take the cuttings from a strong, stocky plant grown in a large pot in a rather sunny place out-doors. When the cuttings are inserted plunge the pots in a hot-bed or frame with bottom heat, if possible, and keep the tops aired, shaded and cool to prevent top-growth. Roots will soon form, and the little plants will become well established. As winter approaches the leaves will drop, and the plants will become dormant. Then give them a cool but frost-proof cellar or room till you wish the growth renewed, which may be done early in January, or later, according to the time the flowers are wanted. When growth begins apply manure water once a week, being careful that it is not too strong. This will insure a vigorous growth and immense heads of flowers of a rich pink color. When the clusters begin to fade cut the top off and shift the plant into a larger pot. New sprouts will issue which will make blooming stalks the next season. The Hydrangea hortensis is not hardy at the North, and must be kept in a dry cellar or frost-proof room during winter. Well grown in a large vase or tub it is an elegant decorative plant for the lawn or yard, and blooms naturally throughout the summer months. If you wish the flowers to be of a blue color use three parts peat and one part sand as a compost, adding some iron filings, and avoid the use of manure water.

Remedy for Rose Slugs.—A sure remedy for Rose slugs is to syringe the plants with a kerosene emulsion to which has been added a tea made by steeping Quassia chips in hot water. This remedy surpasses hellebore or Paris green, is harmless, and one application is usually sufficient to rid the plants of the pest. The same insecticide is also useful in ridding plants of mealy bug, leaf hopper and caterpillar.

Beefsteak Begonia.—This old-fashioned Begonia has large, massive leaves, red beneath and bronzy green above. The stem is thick, short-jointed, and of a creeping nature. It is one of the most easily grown of Begonias, and bears great clusters of flesh-colored flowers during winter. There are handsomer Begonias, but few more desirable for the amateur.

THE BOSTON FERN.

THE Editor of the MAGAZINE would urge every reader who cultivates plants in the window or conservatory to get a plant or more of the Boston Fern, botanically known as *Nephrolepis exaltata Bostoniensis*. It is of the easiest culture, thriving under treatment that would destroy many of the decorative plants offered for window culture, but abundantly repaying the gardener for good care. For a large pot or vase there are few plants more elegant or stately, and few that will elicit greater admiration. It is preferred by many persons to a Palm for room decoration, and will bear more neglect. It is an exception among Ferns, becoming a luxuriant plant in the amateur's window or conservatory. It cannot be too highly praised.

Begonia rubra.—This *Begonia*, often called Angel's Wing, throws up a young, vigorous sprout from the root almost every year, when it has acquired some age. Each shoot thus developed becomes stronger than its predecessor, until the plant reaches the height of six or eight feet. To encourage these new sprouts to grow vigorously it is well to remove some of the older stalks, cutting them at the ground, as such stalks rarely produce satisfactory flowers after the new rival is well started.

Cissus heterophylla.—This beautiful variegated vine is hardy in Southern Pennsylvania, and well adapted for covering a summer house or the pillars of a veranda. Whether it would endure a hot, windy climate or the low temperature of States farther north some of our readers may be able to inform us. In a warm, sunny, sheltered place it makes a rapid growth. The young plants should be set out in the spring to get well established before winter.

Lilacs not Blooming.—In an alkaline soil the Lilac often fails to bloom. In such cases the best remedy is to change the location of the plant. Sometimes a dressing of bone-dust worked into the soil will promote blooming, and this may be tried before changing the plant to a different soil or situation. Trimming will not promote blooming, though it will be found beneficial in developing finer clusters of bloom, where the plants can be depended upon for flowers.

Blue Althea.—The blue-flowered *Althea* is not of a rich, bright blue color, but rather violet blue. It is a showy, handsome variety, however, and a desirable autumn-blooming hardy shrub.

OLD-FASHIONED LILIES.

THE old-fashioned Lily growing from a foot to eighteen inches high, and bearing a cluster of orange-scarlet erect flowers at the summit of a



LILIUM ELEGANS.

strong, leafy stalk, is known in catalogues as *Lilium elegans*. It is variously known as *L. Thunbergianum*, *L. umbellatum*, *L. coruscans*, *L. aurantiacum*, etc. *L. davuricum* and *L. croceum* are of the same habit as *L. elegans*, but the clusters are not so large or dense. The flowers of *Lilium elegans* vary from that of salmon to deep crimson.

It is a hardy Lily that once introduced will hold its place and bloom annually for many years, until it becomes a strong clump of plants.

Forced Bulbs.—Bulbs of *Hyacinth*, *Tulip*, *Narcissus* and other kinds of a hardy nature will bloom in the garden after they have been forced, provided the soil has been kept moist till the foliage dies. When the foliage begins to turn yellow gradually dry the bulbs off, and set the pots in a cool, dry place till late in autumn, then shake out the bulbs and bed them where you wish them to bloom the following spring, mulching the bed with stable litter after the planting is done. All the bulbs that have not split up into small bulbs will bloom. The others can be placed in another bed to increase in size for a year or two. Avoid early planting, as the growth will be prompt, and the autumn frosts will ruin the buds.

Rex Begonias.—These like a moist atmosphere and a rich, porous, well-drained soil, freely watered while growing. In winter water sparingly, and shift into larger pots in the spring. Avoid deep potting. The crown must always be above the soil. Keep shaded from the hot sun, and do not let the pot be exposed to the sun's rays. With these few attentions *Rex Begonias* are usually satisfactory plants.

Fragrant Calla.—The *Fragrant Calla* is a seedling variety of the common white *Calla*, bearing fragrant flowers. It requires the same treatment as the common *Calla*.

CRINUMS.

THESE belong to the Amaryllis family, and are natives of most tropical and semi-tropical countries. The chief differences between them and the Amaryllis are as follows: Crinums produce their flowers in larger clusters than Amaryllis; the foliage of Crinums grows out on all sides of the plant; the flowers of Crinum are of a funnel shape, and do not open as broad and spreading as those of Amaryllis, and the bulbs are larger and longer than those of Amaryllis. Crinums require the same culture as Amaryllis, and should be grown in pots or boxes of somewhat large size to secure the best results. The soil should be rich and loose, and should be mixed with one-third of well-rotted manure. During the growing season they should have plenty of water, but withhold water almost entirely when they are done growing. They do best when kept in the same pot for several years, as they do not like to be disturbed. At the beginning of their season of growth in the spring remove the soil as far down as possible without disturbing the roots, and replace with fresh soil. With a little care anyone can succeed with them. W. C. Mollett.

Wayne Co., W. Va., Apr. 7, 1900.

A Novelty.—A pretty novelty which attracted much attention was an oil barrel bored full of holes and planted with Nasturtiums. I filled the center with wet, half-rotted corn cobs, and all around these with good garden earth. In each hole I stuck a seed or two of dwarf Nasturtiums, mixed colors. I set the barrel on end at the east of the house out of the wind. The top I planted with the same. The barrel was completely covered with brilliant flowers for a long time. The only trouble with it is that the plants are easily broken by the wind.

Mrs. C. M. Wilson.

Jennings Co., Ill.

For Begonias and Fuchsias.

A north or east window is a delightful place for Begonias and Fuchsias. A north window in my dining room is kept full of them, and it is a lovely spot. Some of the Begonias are always in bloom, and the Fuchsias are always in bloom by the first of May. Last winter a white one bloomed at intervals all winter. During the warmest months I put them on a north porch.

Aunt Anna.

Lincoln Co., Wash., Apr. 12, 1900.

Grevillea.—*Grevillea robusta* will not stand any cold. Mine died from a mere cold snap, when nothing else ever knew it was cold.

Mrs. E. M. H.

Winstanley Park, Ill., May 1900

LADY WASHINGTON GERANIUM.

IOWN a Lady Washington Geranium which is deserving of honorable mention. It is now a beautiful sight to behold, and worth going far to see. It is six years old, and stands in a good-sized water pail, having been repotted every summer. It measures forty-three inches in height, from the top of the pail, and is seven feet in circumference at the top. The flowers, which are borne in clusters, are a brilliant, shining pink with dark maroon spots, and are borne well above the deep green foliage, presenting the appearance of a huge bouquet. Each separate flower measures over two inches in diameter. Through the summer and early fall it stands in the front yard, where the old leaves drop off and new growth starts out. During the rest of the year it stands in front of a sunny south window upstairs, with no stove heat except for an hour or so at night and what comes up from a room below, and is usually watered with soap suds. It gets very little fertilizer except what is put in at potting time.

Mary B. Appley.

Windham Co., Conn., Apr. 11, 1900.

The Amaryllis.—Those who love a gorgeously-colored flower should try the Amaryllis Johnsonii. Truly, it is a queen among Lilies. A year ago I purchased a bulb and planted it in a large jardiniere filled with rich soil. It soon sent up five stately leaves several feet in length, then a large flower-stalk from which soon developed three large, drooping, bell-shaped flowers. The petals had the appearance of rich red velvet with a white satin stripe down the center. Words fail to give an idea of its loveliness. Many persons seeing it in the window came in to know the name of this rare plant, and to admire its wondrous beauty.

Mrs. C. R. S.

Riley Co., Kan.

Nasturtiums.—No garden is complete without a few plants of Climbing Nasturtium. They are invaluable for covering fences and any unsightly spot in the garden. They begin to bloom early, and if the flowers are frequently picked, to prevent seeding, will continue to bloom until cut down by frost. More flowers will be produced if the seeds are sown in rather poor soil. They will thrive even under the most adverse conditions.

L. D. F.

Meriden, Ct., May 14, 1900.

Carnations.—Marguerite Carnations are just as nice as the catalogues picture them. The seeds germinate readily, and the plants are easy to care for.

Lincoln Co., Wash.

Aunt Anna.

COWSLIPS.**Winsome Cowslips:**

From their green leaves shyly peeping,
Bright and pure as burnished gold,
Lately they were snugly sleeping
In the earth so dark and cold.

Dainty Cowslips:

With their petals light and airy,
Gently swayed by every breeze,
Dancing lightly as a fairy,
Fragrant as the new-leaved trees.

Rosewood, O., Apr. 27, 1900.

H. H.

THREE TIMES TOO MANY.

BEING an invalid in those days I did not go to church, but staid at home and held the sofa down while the rest attended divine worship. But I could not rest. In line with my eyes was an ugly jumbled-up affair that had been sent in that morning as a floral gift. The motive was so kind, the intent so thoughtful that it seemed base ingratitude to not like it. Flowers big and little, delicate and bright, were wedged into a flower-ball, supposed by the donor to be a bouquet. Like it I could not, and at last, in sheer desperation, I got up, took the flowers out of their vase and re-arranged them.

When I had picked them out one by one there were a couple of dozen Pansies, white, golden yellow, purple, bronze and black. A saucer-bouquet of these alone soon graced the center table, and their velvety blooms seemed to whisper "Thank you" for their liberation from a floral jam—a thing that Sweet Peas and Pansies have a particular horror of.

Next a good big handful of Nasturtiums I picked out. Crumpled and forlorn they had seemed before, but when a small rose-bowl was filled with them, and no other flower with them, they held their bright sunny faces up with the saucy air so characteristic of "Sturtions," used as they are to admiration.

After all, there were plenty of pretty Pinks and Phlox left for another bouquet. They were put back in the same vase that had originally held Pansies, Nasturtiums and all. Now there was no longer a jam of flower heads, or a tangle of yellows, reds, pinks and purples. The Pinks and Phlox disposed themselves comfortably about, and their radiant colors glowed like fire. The donor dropped in from church just then. "Oh! what pretty flowers," she cried. "Why—why they are my flowers! What in the world did you do to them? I never could make them look like that." And I answered, "My dear, division has made them beautiful. Besting with your flowers if they are for vases. A handful is better than a hatful, and each kind of flower consorts better with its own than with stranger flowers."

Lora S. LaMance.

McDonald Co., Mo.

SEEDLING CACTUS DAHLIA.

LAST March I sowed a package of seeds of Cactus Dahlia in a box about four inches deep. They had plenty of room to become thrifty little plants before transplanting into the ground. They showed no sign of blooming until September. By the first of November one of them was almost twice as large as the others. It was eleven feet high, and about a foot from the ground the stalk was nine and a half inches in circumference. For over three weeks it was a beautiful sight, covered with clusters of lovely flowers like half-opened parasols. It created a decided sensation in this community, no one having ever seen anything like it before, and, of course, not knowing what it was. I do not know why that particular one should have grown so high, as it had no unusual care; but in setting out half a dozen seedling Dahlias it would be well to plant them in various parts of the garden, so as to experiment in the matter of location.

Mrs. B. Clark.

San Luis Obispo Co., Cal.

Layering Geraniums.—A long, spindling Geranium, which is of no use for bedding out can be made a thing of beauty and a joy all summer by following this plan: Dig a large hole in the ground so that the plant can be laid in a slanting position, which will bring the stalk flat on the surface of the ground. Peg it down firmly for its whole length, partly covering the stem with soil. In a short time new roots will strike out from the joints under the soil, and at the same time new shoots will grow upward. Grown in the regular way branches never start out from every joint, many of them having latent buds which only grow when an accident happens to the regular buds. When placed in this position a branch will start from nearly if not quite all of these latent buds, and a regular Geranium forest will be the result. Such plants bloom very freely from every tip, and at the end of the season can be divided into dozens of well-rooted plants.

Marian Meade.

Rockford, Ill., Apr. 20, 1900.

Lobster Cactus.—I have three plants of Lobster Cactus in a low, broad pot sitting on a small table. They have grown luxuriantly, and now droop, hiding the pot and edges of the table, and every leaf, large and small, has a flower upon it. The plant is about three feet in diameter, and is one of the most beautiful sights imaginable.

Dorothy.

A POPULAR ABUTILON.

PROBABLY there has never before been an Abutilon which created such a demand as the *Souvenir de Bonn*, illustrated upon this page. It seemed that almost everybody wanted it, and what is more, everybody was satisfied with it when it was obtained. And yet the demand for it continues. The plant does not seem to have lost its popularity.

The *Souvenir de Bonn* Abutilon is handsome as an ornamental plant, the growth being strong and healthy, the foliage dense and beautifully variegated, and the flowers large, with orange-red veins. It is a half-hardy shrub, doing well as a garden plant in the South, and thriving and blooming as a pot plant in the window or conservatory of the northern amateur florist. It likes a rich, rather tenacious soil, well-drained, partial shade, and a liberal supply of water while growing and blooming. In growing it cut the top out when six or eight inches high, and as side branches develop pinch off the ends a few inches from the trunk. The plant will then become dense and bushy as the one shown in the engraving. Abutilons are sometimes troubled with aphids and scale. Both are easily eradicated—the former by fumigating with tobacco, the latter by rubbing off and washing with kerosene emulsion.



ABUTILON SOUVENIR DE BONN.

Hydrangeas for the House.

Hydrangeas are nice plants for the house, as they can be wintered in the cellar and bloom early in the spring. Mine was a cutting last spring and now has a large bloom bud. The foliage is nice because it is always green and thrifty-looking. They can be kept on the porch all summer.

Aunt Anna.

Lincoln Co., Wash., Apr. 12, 1900.

A TUB GARDEN.

SOMETIMES it happens that one has no suitable place for flower beds. Tree roots, poor soil or anything that renders regularly made beds impossible must not be allowed to cheat one out of the pretty flowers that require careful tending. Nearly always one can find tubs, even if the tubs are made of lime barrels. In a place where you want a dainty bed drive down three posts and nail a tub on each, *a la* Clover leaf. Fill, and sow in the fine soil good *Verbena* seeds—in one white, in another blue and in the third red. *Verbenas* are much prettier grown in tubs than on the ground. *Petunias* are elegant grown in this way, and both these flowers

love the sun. For the tub that must be set in the shade try *Fansies* with a fringe of *Alyssum*. In one corner have a *Caladium* in a tub, and in another several *Cannas*. These plants want rich soil and plenty of water. If you have not tried a "tub garden" you will be surprised to find it so pretty. Rich soil and plenty of water just at sunset and good plants or seeds are the requirements.

To vary the shape of the beds, one may use a large box set on the

posts. If bits of bark, knots and twigs are tacked over the box the effect is prettier. Trailing vines like *Thunbergia* and drooping plants like *Heliotrope* are effective for edging. While it cannot be denied that the ideal flower bed is a pretty and simple design cut in emerald grass, yet there is no sort of doubt that the cleanest and best flowers are grown in tubs. E. F. W.

Iredell Co., N. C., Mar. 17, 1900.

Pansies.—Pansies started from seeds in July and August begin to bloom in autumn, and in mild climates bloom all winter. They also make handsome spring-blooming clumps.

SUMMER ADVICE.

JULY and August are the months for planning ahead. While now each busy housewife is enjoying the results of all her spring work, yet she must keep busy and continue her work in new directions. It is necessary to watch seed-pods. The finest flower on a plant should be allowed to seed, and the rest picked, for the more one picks annuals the more they bloom. Especially is this true of Pansies and Nasturtiums. A string may be tied about the flower one wishes to seed. Old envelopes make good seed receptacles for the amateur.

It is of the house plants, though, that I would speak. Slip the Geraniums in moist sand, selecting the finest branches the bedded-out Geraniums have put forth. With plenty of water and heat they will root in a week. They may then be shifted to small pots, and will be ready for blooming when winter settles down. Heliotropes, Lantanas and Verbenas may also be slipped, the new plants blooming during the winter, whereas the old ones would not. It is worth while to select the loveliest Petunia in the bed, and raise it on a cloudy day. If it is cut back it will go on growing, and will bloom all winter.

The pot of Calla bulbs should be shaken out in August, and all the bulblets loosened from the old corm. Then refill the pot with rich earth, and start the Callas into growth. Bulbs which have rested all summer and thus treated will be sure to bloom in the winter.

It is an excellent idea to incorporate into flower beds some very well rotted manure as one weeds. The plants will increase in size and profusion at once.

All sorts of vines need looking after during August. Some need clipping or trimming or training. If they are allowed to straggle they become unsightly.

If one wishes Pansies early in the spring sow the seeds during the month of August. Select a shady bed, have it well spaded up with manure, and allow it to settle. Then some dull day rake it fine and plant Pansy seeds. By fall the plants will be good size, and will need covering during winter. When the first thaw comes in spring the Pansy blossoms will be found peeping out of the snow.

Georgina G. Smith.

Dubuque Co., Iowa.

Asparagus Sprengeri.—My Asparagus Sprengeri, which was planted about twenty months ago, has fronds fully two and one-half feet long, and continues to throw out new vines every little while. It is my pride, and the admiration of all who behold it.

Matilda D. B.

Barren Co., Ky.

ABOUT PEONIES.

"BY failures we learn to succeed." This is one of the most encouraging proverbs I know for flower lovers. As singular a failure as we ever had was with Peonies. We had an old-fashioned red one sent us from our old home, and a pink one given us, and we were willing to give them the best of care. It is sandy near the house, and remembering the heavy earth ours used to have we dug out the sand and filled in with clay loam. Then the catalogues were consulted, and the roots were rut down the depth advised. The plants were feeble-looking specimens the next year, and continued to grow backward in spite of liberal fertilizing. The third year we dug one up to see if we could tell what was the matter. It seemed as if we must have set them too deep, and Nature was trying to remedy the mistake. New roots and new tubers had formed on top of the old ones, bringing the plant nearer the surface. That was seven or eight years ago, and they haven't bloomed yet, though one a few feet away not set so deep blooms finely.

I had the same experience as the contributor who wrote about the pink "piny," only my white one was red. I explained it this way: my friend had a long row of alternate white and red Peonies, and when she thought she dug me a white one she dug a red one by mistake.

Georgie A. Johnson.

Tuscola Co., Mich.

Acacia lophantha.—I have an Acacia tree four years old which is over seven feet high, with dozens of branches, large and small, and beautiful, finely-cut foliage. Some of the new leaves are a delicate light green. It has had many blossoms, both in spring and fall. It is very easy to grow, and so pretty that if more people saw them there would be more of them in cultivation. They are rare in this country.

Kingscroft, Que.

Mrs. M. N. Corey.

About Roses.—I have found the Empress of China all that was claimed for it—a beautiful pink, darker in center, but a climber, and hardy. It goes well with Mary Washington. Other Roses hardy here are La France, Dinsmore, Clotilde Soupert, Bride, Champion of the World and Gen. Jacqueminot.

Mrs. E. M. H.

Winstanley Park, Ill., May 1900.

Moisture for Plants.—To produce moisture for your plants hang wet sponges among them.

Mrs. C. R. S.

Riley Co., Kan.

THE JAPANESE CATALPA.

MY Japanese Catalpa, *Catalpa Kämpferi*, is now a grand sight. When I planted the six-inch seedling ten years ago I made merry over the probability of its ever attaining the size as depicted in the catalogus of dealers. "Impossible," I said, "that any tree could be so laden with blossoms! It is an exaggeration, and only made to sell the plants." Well, I recall that now with remorse. My tree is thirty feet high, spreading grandly, and a four-foot tape measure barely goes around the trunk. It looks like the catalogue picture the veracity of which I doubted. Such enormous panicles of bloom! The individual flower is crimped and ruffled, thin-textured as crape, white with purple streaks, and a blotch of orange on the central petals, pretty as a Gloxinia. This variety does not sucker like the American sort, nor grow one-sided. It is erect and straight as an Ash tree.

Lydia W. Baldwin.

Kent Co., Del., June 11, 1900.

[NOTE.—*Catalpa Kämpferi* is easily grown from seeds, and the plants become blooming trees in a few years. The leaves are of tropical appearance, so large and massive, while the handsome summer panicles of bloom, followed by long, slender, clustered seed pods which remain throughout the winter, make the tree very attractive. It has no enemies, and can hardly be too highly praised.—ED.]

Roses and Mignonette.—In reading over the FLORAL MAGAZINE for March I see some reader thinks Roses and Mignonette will not grow in the same bed. I wish she could have seen my Rose bed with Mignonette growing between the bushes. I had LaFrance, Hermosa, Perle des Jardin and American Beauty Roses and Sweet Mignonette. They were also placed in the same vase and did all right. So, you see, it is merely superstition.

Greensburg, Ind.

M. L. E.

Anemopsis Californica.—This native bog-plant of California makes a beautiful pot plant, and is easily grown in damp, sandy soil. When planted around ponds and in damp places it grows so thick that the broad green leaves cover the ground like a mat, while the flowers stand up and look like fairy wands of wax. Among the Spanish people a tea made from the roots is considered an unfailing cure for saddle sores and flesh wounds.

Monterey Co., Cal.

Miss M. A. S.

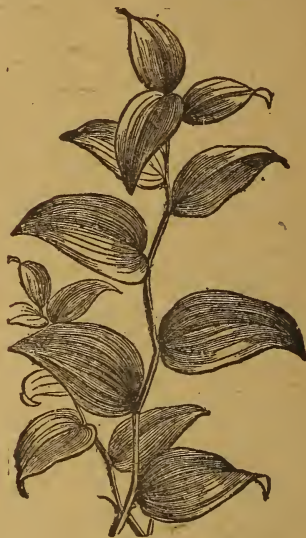
Farfugium grande.—*Farfugium grande* is nice for shady windows. It is a grand decorative plant. It grows slowly, but is nice when small, and in two years will be quite large.

Aunt Anna.

Lincoln Co., Wash.

BOSTON SMILAX.

A VERY pretty and easily grown pot plant for a trellis is the Boston Smilax, botanically known as *Myrsiphyllum asparagoides*. A little plant obtained in the spring, and given plenty of root room in a rich compost will become a handsome plant in late autumn, covering a pot trellis with its elegant green sprays, one of which is represented in the little illustration. In developing the first



BOSTON SMILAX.

sprouts make a dwarf growth, but each succeeding shoot is stronger and more vigorous, until six feet or more are reached, when given string support. The plant is popularly grown by florists upon strings, and cut and sold by the yard for festooning at Christmas and other festive occasions. The plant deserves general cultivation.

Feverfew for the House.—Doubtless nearly all who cultivate flowers know Feverfew, but I wonder if many realize its worth as a window plant. It will bloom where few other plants, except Primulas, will show a bud. Its foliage is beautiful, and the little pure white, daisy-like flowers always elicit admiration. I find it so satisfactory that I am seldom without blossoms of Feverfew from year to year.

Barren Co., Ky.

Maude D. B.

Begonia argentea guttata.—I find this Begonia to be harder than most others. In fact, when Lilies, Petunias, etc. died from a freeze one night this Begonia, though killed to the ground, soon pushed up from the root, and became finer than before.

Mrs. E. M. H.

Winstanley Park, Ill., May 19, 1900.

A EUROPEAN TRIP.

LETTER NO. 33.

A ride through the chief residence streets of Edinburgh gave me a good idea of the taste displayed by gardeners, and of the plants mostly used for decorative purposes. The shrubbery on many of the grounds was very attractive. A very beautiful hardy evergreen shrub much used there is *Acubia Japonica*. The leaves are leathery, thickly set, and of a rich green with distinct spots and blotches of white or yellow, while some are green with well-marked margin of white or yellow. Beautiful specimens of these plants from five to eight feet high were common, and in some places several plants were grouped together. Hedges and groups of *Rhododendron*, variegated

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FIGURE 1.

Holly and Privet were to be seen, and English Ivy covered the walls, and Honeysuckles, Clematis and Wisteria the arbors, trellises and summer houses. A splendid type of *Eulalia variegata* appeared in huge clumps, and made a fine display. Specimens of *Calceolaria rugosa* were not uncommon, and edgings of *Buxus*, Golden Feather and Blue Lobelia were seen in admirable form. Annual *Chrysanthemums* massed together made gorgeous beds, and at some places were clumps of Pot Marigold, showy if not delicate. Pots of *Aralia Sieboldii* were attractive in the yard, and baskets of Musk Plant in the window. Other plants, such as *Geraniums*, *Fuchias*, *Begonias* and the like were to be seen in the windows. As will be noticed much is made of hardy evergreen shrubbery and plants of a hardy character, especially for lawn adornment. The climate is too cold to allow the culture out-doors of *Coleus*, *Cannas*, and other plants which we use so effectively for the decoration of our grounds in this country.

The streets of Edinburgh are paved with cobblestones, and the sidewalks are mostly of asphalt. In the older sections the houses are built up to the sidewalk, and are high and of an antiquated style of architecture. In these sections, too, the streets are narrow, and the upper floors are used, apparently, as tenement houses. At many windows from the second to the upper stories there are clothes-drying racks holding several rows of clothes, and it is curious to look down the street and see these filled—pants, shirts, underclothing, stockings, dresses, night-ropes, bed-clothing, and washed pieces of every description and of all colors—fluttering and flying in the breeze.

The house of the celebrated Scottish divine, John Knox, was upon one of these old narrow streets, where the clothes-drying scenery is prominent. The house is on the corner of a square, or rather where the broad part of the street ends and the narrow part begins. The Knox building extending out and having its entrance upon the narrow street, with several windows in the side fronting upon the broad street or

square. The building is built of large, square stones, and is in an excellent state of preservation. The basement floor is now used as store rooms, and the second and third stories as a Knox museum of relics, the entrance to the museum being by side steps of heavy stones with a strong iron railing. At the time I was there (autumn, 1871) the front part was occupied as a pipe and tobacco store, and above the windows fronting the square was the inscription "Love God

above all, and your neighbor as yourself." The inscription as it appears is shown in the pencil sketch, figure 1 except that the inscription is continuous in one line. I smiled as I thought of the ludicrous contrast—tobacco and filth and love and purity. On the corner is the carved figure of a long-bearded man with one hand upon a scroll and the other pointing up to a wreath encircling words, as shown in figure 2. Between the windows from which Knox used to preach to a great congregation upon the street was a wreath surrounding a shield and compass decorated with leaves and crowns, as shown in figure 3. The letters I, M, M and A were spaced around as represented. This figure was probably 2x1½ feet. Other wreaths of smaller size and without figures decorated the side of the building. All of these characters and decorations were upon the side fronting upon the broad street or square. At the rear of the tobacco store is the room used by

Knox as a kitchen, and here is a rude, narrow, innerstairway leading up to the second

floor. A door enters this apartment at the corner, and Knox frequently used this entrance, and stairway in entering his home. This apartment was used as a china store. Here I purchased some little articles as remembrances, and then went to the St. Giles church, near which is the tablet upon the cobbled square which marks the last resting place of the old Reformer. I sat down upon the base of the equestrian statue of Charles II, near to the Knox tablet, and chatted to the little Scotch boys and girls who gathered about me. They all seemed bright and interesting, being intelligent and talkative. They seemed to be well posted in old Scotch history, and vied with each other in imparting the information they possessed. I quizzed them about their homes, habits, etc., and got much interesting knowledge of life among the lower classes. Some of the children had such a Scotch brogue and expression that the more "English" ones had



FIGURE 3.

to interpret for me. One of the brightest of the boys I asked to come to America with me, without a thought that my proposition would be accepted. But I was mistaken. The little fellow was ready to go with me at once. I told him that his people would perhaps not be satisfied to let him come with me, but he said he lived with his grandmother, and she wanted to get rid of him. He seemed greatly disappointed when I told him I thought he had better wait till I came over again. He said he was afraid he would not find me when I came and urged me to take him at once. I told him he would be older when I returned, and that he need not fear; I would come to Parliament square and he could then go with me. While we were talking another little fellow went over to the Knox tablet and began to tramp



FIGURE 2.

and stamp upon it with his feet, saying "Ha, 'old Jan Knox coom up, coom up. I ain't afraid of ye Coom up, ye auld divil Coom up!" One of his companions reproved him, saying he ought to be ashamed, that John Knox was a good man, and that he ought to have enough respect for the stranger to behave himself. He listened a while, then began again to stamp with his feet and cry, "Coom up coom up, ye auld divil; coom up, coom up I'll fix ye. You were mean to the Catholics." The earnestness of the little urchin and the efforts of his companion to pacify him were very amusing and afforded me a mind scene of the place that I shall never forget. From here I went to the Nelson monument, built on an eminence from which we get a most enchanting view of the city and its surroundings. This will be referred to in my next letter.

George W. Park

BRIEF ANSWERS.

Wisteria.—The Wisteria has a long, whip-like root, with few fibers, and should be planted early in spring. It will then be well started by the time the dry, hot autumn weather comes, and will also be able to endure the winter.

Yucca.—To bloom well the Yucca should have a rather dry, sandy soil and sunny location. The plant should also be several years old, strong and vigorous.

Amaryllis.—When an Amaryllis blooms cut the individual flowers off as soon as they fade, and as the last bloom on the flower stalk fades remove the entire stalk.

Cinerarias.—The Hybrid Cinerarias should be cut back almost to the ground as soon as the flowers fade. New sprouts will then issue which will bloom the next season. As a rule, however, it is better to discard the old plants and start new ones from seeds in early spring.

Roses.—The leaves of house Roses often turn yellow because of an attack of the red spider, which works upon the under side of the leaves. The best remedy is to strip the leaves off if the leaves are badly infested. If but slightly troubled wash them with soap suds.

Plant Destroyers.—Various nocturnal "worms" eat the leaves of plants at night. If the soil about the troubled plants is examined in the morning the pest will often be found and can be destroyed. Mice and moles sometimes eat the plants at night. These may be caught in traps. Slugs and snails are also destructive at night. These may be caught at work by the aid of a lantern, or may be trapped under cabbage leaves or slices of potato.

Window-garden Seeds.—It would be utter folly to sow such seeds as Calceolaria, Cineraria and Gloxinia in the open ground. They should be sown in a pot of finely sifted and pressed soil, without cover, and watered by placing the pot in a saucer of water. Cover the pot with a piece of board till the plants start, then place glass over till the plants can bear the light and air without protection. Avoid bright sunshine, and keep the soil moist but not wet. Thin the plants if too thick. They must not crowd each other.

Black Calla.—The black Calla is a species of Arum, and the flowers have an unpleasant odor. Arum sanctum is usually sold as Black Calla, but often A. italicum is offered under that name. The latter is more certain to bloom than the former. The flower is long very dark brown, and ill-scented though curious and rather attractive. It is not a very desirable house plant.

Goldfussia.—This plant should have a rather shady place in summer and be freely watered. In autumn give less water and more sun, thus allowing it a period of semi-dormancy, after which restore the supply of water. A free product of flowers will result.

Growing Plants for Sale.—A greenhouse conservatory or plant window with a southern exposure is the best for winter-blooming plants.

If the house is shaded by other buildings or by trees there are many plants that may be grown in it, but do not attempt the culture of Roses, as they will not thrive without direct sunlight. Those who wish to begin the culture of flowers for sale can do so without the aid of a glass structure. A large bed of Pansies started from seeds in mid-summer will make fine blooming clumps by next season and the work can all be done out-doors. Such clumps sell well when in bloom. Primroses started from seeds in the spring and grown in pots will make fine blooming plants for winter, and always meet with ready sale when in bloom. The same is true of Lobelia, Kenilworth Ivy, Smilax, Carnations and many other plants. The will finds the way, and success follows continued enthusiastic effort.

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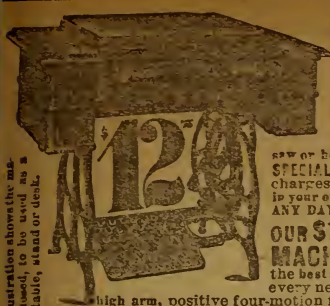
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Dear Mr. Park:—I have been taking your paper for a year, and find it a great help to me, as I am not familiar with the culture of flowers. I sent for your ten-cent collection of seeds, and my flowers were admired by every one. My Nasturtiums were planted on the north side of the house, and vined to the height of eight or nine feet on wire netting. They were a perfect mass of bloom. I didn't have very good success with my Pansies at first, as I planted them where they were too shaded. In July my husband made me a bed on the east side of the house. It was filled with well-rotted manure, rotten wood dirt, sand and garden soil. This was allowed to stand till the first of September, then I took my old plants and planted them in it. Oh, how they grew! The plants looked so healthy, and the flowers were the largest I ever saw. They bloomed until about Christmas, when I threw cedar branches over them. They are almost ready for bloom now, and I can hardly wait to see their pretty faces. I want to tell Aunt Hope about my Marguerite Carnations. I sowed my seeds in a box the last of March, and then transplanted when they had the second leaves. They commenced blooming in early autumn, and were a mass of buds when winter came. Unfortunately, in my zeal to save them I smothered them by covering too closely. I am not discouraged though, and will try again.

M. Agnes Soles.

Gallia Co., O., Apr. 13, 1900.

The Lost Flowers.—How many of us have a pleasing and haunting remembrance of some flower that bloomed in our garden long ago, and which we never see or hear of since. There was one I have never forgotten, which seems to have disappeared from the earth. Perhaps it has been transplanted to a better home with the pure and lovely of earth. I will describe it as I saw it fifty years ago. It was called Star of Bethlehem. The leaves were rather a dark green resembling a Begonia leaf, and the flowers were a cluster of star-shaped blossoms, pink at first and turning to blue. Another flower I cannot forget. Some years ago I sowed a package of mixed seeds, and among the plants was one that looked quite inferior, foliage inconspicuous, flowers pale flesh color and sleepy looking. One moonlight evening, walking in the garden, I became conscious of an exquisite fragrance, which I traced directly to this plant. But how changed!—wide awake, and fairly reveling in the moonlight. But I lost the plant and never knew its name.

Plebe J. Mugg.

Sandusky Co., O., Mar. 5, 1900.

[NOTE.—The sweet-scented evening flower described was doubtless *Mathiola bicornis*, known as Evening Stock.—Ed.]

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Branch Co., Mich., May 5, 1900.

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St. Joseph Co., Ind., Apr. 23, 1900.

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FLOWERS.

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Pansies are here with beauteous tints, Their faces upturned to the light, With velvety petals of purple and gold, Of lavender, garnet, and white; No earth-born artist, though skilled in touch, Such wonderful colors could blend; What grateful incense from our hearts should rise To the Heavenly artist, our friend.

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QUESTIONS.

Cact.s.—What shall I do for a Christmas Cactus which does not bloom. The buds form each year, but one by one blast and drop off. It has been three or four years since it had a blossom on.—E. G. C., McKean Co., Pa.

Wire Worms.—What remedy, if any, is there for wire worms in the soil?—M. A. H., Mass.

Tuberose Enemy.—We had some Tuberoses last year which were attacked by an enemy which ate the stalk a little below the buds, just as they began to expand. I covered the unaffected plants with mosquito netting, but in a little while they went just as the others. Will someone give a remedy?—Mrs. H. V., Mich.

Cactus triangularis.—Does this Cactus bloom? If so how old must it be, and how shall I treat it?—K. J. H., Maine.

Calla.—I have a Calla 5 years old that has never bloomed. Please tell me how to treat it to get it to bloom.—Miss L. B., Ohio.

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Maggie Harbison.

Marion Co., Kas., May 19, 1900

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl thirteen years old. My mother has taken your Magazine for ten years, and likes it very much. We have some fine old-fashioned flowers, such as Ragged Robin and white Iris, mother brought from Pennsylvania, her old home. We have an old-fashioned garden, and pack berries and all kinds of fruit. I have three brothers and six sisters. I am next to the baby, and can cook and bake bread. I go to school.

Blanche Cantner.

Logan Co., O. Mar. 29, 1900.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a girl eleven years old. I go to the public school of Albion. I am in the fourth grade. I have attended school only twenty months. I have four brothers and no sisters. One of my brothers is a graduate of the Albion Normal School. We have taken your Magazine for two years. I look forward to it and enjoy reading it so much. We have many flowers and it helps us. I love flowers.

Dolly Snodgrass.

Edwards Co., Idaho, April 5, 1900.

Dear Mr. Park:—Mamma received those bulbs and plants you sent her and was delighted with them. She just loves flowers and I do, too. We had a long piece of woven wire last summer, and it was literally covered with Sweet Peas. I love to read the Children's Corner in your Magazine and especially the European trip. I have a little sister five years old. I am thirteen years old.

Warren Co., Ia., Feb. 24, 1900. Juddie Stitt.

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Dear Flower Folks:—When we moved here seven years ago there was a grove of Poplar trees near the house on the east side. The soil was nothing but white sand, but under those trees was a carpet of blue Violets just as thick as they could stand. I asked for that spot for a flower garden. The trees were removed, the ground plowed, and then I planted perennials and annuals with Roses and shrubbery. It is now seven rods long and four wide, and shows Lilies, Pansies, Pinks, Rocket, Poppies and a host of bulbous and fibrous-rooted plants. We have good neighbors here, and we all share our plants with each other. I sowed a row of Roemer's Pansies last summer, and have some of the largest Pansies I ever saw. I have given away many, but they bloom all the more freely. I had Geraniums, Begonias, Petunias and other window plants last winter, and saved them from the frost by placing them in a wash boiler protected by plies of paper. I have not succeeded in raising Trumpet Vines from seeds. Can anyone tell us how to start the seeds? A. E. Winne.

Leelanaw Co., Mich.

[NOTE.—Trumpet Vines are easily propagated from root cuttings. Make them two or three inches long, and place in moist, porous soil in spring.—ED.]

Dear Flower Folks:—I have a Calla Lily that has a leaf as white and waxy as the blossom that is beside it on the same plant. Who has seen or heard of anything like it? Mrs. O. S. Derby.

Clare Co., Mich., June 6, 1900.

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GOSSIP.

Dear Flower Folks—I've met with a great loss. A fine *Impatiens sultana* has dropped branch after branch till I guess it is dead. I shall miss it very much. It was so bright and cheerful, always full of bloom. I had it nearly two years. This winter the stems had brown knots on them. I don't know what was the matter with it. My plants this winter have "overflowed" into the kitchen. There are two south windows in the kitchen, and last winter I had one shelf at the window farthest from the stove. But this winter there are two shelves at that window, and a shelf above at the other, and the kitchen table half full. The kitchen seems to agree with the plants. My *Coleus* are on an upper shelf, and my *Petunias* on the table. I've had good success with my *Lantana* this winter by putting it close to the south window and keeping its feet wet. It takes lots of water. My hanging basket of Parrot's Feather—how lovely it was until by an oversight its shower bath was neglected. The red spider infested it, when, lo! the pretty green leaves turned brown all in a day. There was nothing to do but lop the stems all off close to the water. In a few days the plant had started many more branches than it had at first. We rubbed the leaves off the old branches and put in water to root for exchanges. I am proud of my *Begonias* and must have more this summer. I saw a double *Tuberous Begonia* last summer which had one branch of single blossoms—single and double blossoms open at the same time on the same plant. My *Oxalis floribunda rosea* was full of red spider. It stopped blooming, and the leaves were looking—well, you know how, and my Buttercup had a plentiful crop of aphids. I took those pots and set them behind the washboard in the warm (yes, almost hot) soapsuds for half an hour, and as the clothes were rubbed the plants were well splashed with soapsuds. I have not seen aphids or red spider on either plant since. *O. floribunda* has lots of buds and blossoms. The Buttercup *Oxalis* sets never a bud, although the plant is strong and thrifty. Possibly they will come later. Wish more of you had an *Asparagus plumosus* like mine. Its fine, and it bears cutting, too. Mrs. M. A. Bucknell.

Madison Co., Ill., Mar. 20, 1890.

MAGAZINE APPRECIATED.

Mr. Parks—I send herewith money to renew my subscription to the Floral Magazine. I like it very much. My husband says when I am reading it he might as well wait till I get through, for he don't hear what he says. Mrs. L.

Stephenson Co., Ill., March 20, 1890.

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CALIFORNIA WINTER.

Cool the breeze from Shasta blowing,
But the Violets are here,
And the Buttercups and other cups
Of blue like china clear.

By the added caps of whiteness
Snow was falling all night long
On the distant range of mountains;
Here the linnet trills his song.

Know we in the early morning
That the snowy crests are there
Without looking, simply breathing
Winter crispness in the air.

But by noontide summer's here,
And we seek the summer flowers,
Meadowlarks and blackbirds fearless,
Comrades through the happy hours.

Morning brings the mountain breezes,
Noontide calm, and afternoon
Sometimes warm the breeze of ocean,
Sometimes sings the morning tune.

And the flowers bloom on unheeding
Cold or heat that winds may bring,
And the birds ne'er think of asking
"Is it winter?" "Is it spring?"

But their cheerful songs are singing
All day long, and fading light
By the roadside or the creek bed
Finds them calling still "Good-night."

This is winter now, but milder
Winter than I ever knew,
Flowers a-bloom and birds a-singing,
Frost that only chills the dew.

Etta Kent.

Richfield Colony, Cal., Apr. 14, 1900.

Mr. Park:—I agree with M. D. S. that your Magazine is not half large enough, but though not so large as many others it is to me like a rich kernel in a tiny shell. There are no gay or bright colored plates, but the cuts of plants and flowers are clear, and all directions and advices are plainly given and to the point. I have gained much information how to treat my flowers, and their profuse bloom shows their thanks.

E. E. Behrens.

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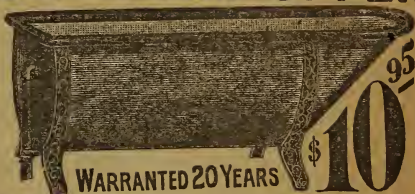
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Will be heard as we witness the lightning's swift flash

Oh, haste, little birdie, haste back to your nest,
The conflict of elements is never a jest;
The king of the storm rides aloft on the cloud,
He warns you of danger in accents so loud.

Oh, haste while you can, and fly back to your nest,
While the storm king's abroad 'tis the safest and best;
The tempest will roar and rain will come down,
If you're not under cover you surely will drown.

Mrs. E. M. Haines.

St. Clair Co., Ill., May 19, 1900.

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Abelia, Chinese shrub.
Abutilon, Anna, veined.
Mesopotamicum, trailing.
Savitzii.

Souv. de Bonn.
Other choice named sorts.
NOTE.—*Souv. de Bonn*, is a beautiful ornamental-leaved plant, worthy of a place in every collection.

Acacia lophantha,
Acalypha Macaefana.
Sanderiana.

NOTE.—*Acalypha Macaefana* is a beautiful variegated plant, the leaves being splashed and marked as the forest trees in autumn. It is easily grown, distinct, and a very satisfactory pot plant.

Achania malvaviscus, red.
Achimenes, large purple.

NOTE.—*Achimenes* are lovely Gesneraceous plants, useful for either pots, vases or baskets. The flowers are large, delicate, waxy and showy, and are freely and continuously produced during summer.

Achyranthus, red or yellow.
Agathaea, Blue Paris Daisy.
Ageratum, blue or white.
Ampelopsis quinquefolia.
Allamanda Hendersonii.
Aloe vera, succulent.

Aloysia citriodora.
Alyssum, double, white.

NOTE.—The double *Alyssum* is much superior to the single-flowered, and is a grand edging or basket plant, always in bloom. It is easily started from branches, and from one plant you can soon have a fine stock. In a cool room it is unsurpassed as a winter-blooming plant. For this purpose start the branches in August, and pinch back to make bushy plants.

Anemone Japonica alba.
St Brigid.

Fulgens, scarlet.
Helena Maria.

Japonica rubra.

Pennsylvanica, white.

Anisophylla goldfussia.

Anthemis, Chamomile.

Anthericum vittatum variegatum.

Aquilegia canadensis.

Chrysanthia, yellow.

Cœrulea, blue.

Artillery Plant, fine foliage.

Arabis alpina, fine edging.

Aralia Sieboldii.

Asclepias tuberosa.

Asparagus Sprengeri.

Plumosus nanus.

Bergamot, scarlet **Monarda**.

White-flowered.

Begonia alba picta.

Argentea guttata.

Compta.

Decora.

Diadema.

Foliosa.

Feasti (Beef Steak)

Fuchsoides coccinea.

Manicata aurea.

Metallica.

Multiflora hybrida.

M. de Lesseps.

Olbia.

Pres. Carnot.

Queen of Bedders.

Rex, in variety.

Sandersonii.

Sanguinea.

Semperflorens roses.

Souv. de Pres. Guilaume.

Speculata.

Thurstonii.

Velutina.

Vittata alba.

Weltoniensis, Cut-leaved.

Zebrina.

Begonia, Tuberous:

Giant Red.

" **Rose**.

" **Yellow**.

" **Scarlet**.

" **White**.

Double, red, rose, yellow, scarlet.

Bryophyllum calycinum.

Berberis Thunbergianum.

Buxus sempervivum.

Bougainvillea glabra *Sanderiana*.

Caladium esculentum.

Fancy-leaved.

California Privet.

Callirhoe involucrata.

Calla Lily, Fragrant.

Little Gem.

Spotted-leaved.

Caltha palustris.

Calycanthus floridus.

Calystegia pubescens.

Canna, in sorts.

Sapientum.

Cape Jasmine.

NOTE.—The *Cape Jasmine* is a lovely evergreen shrub, fine for pots at the North or the yard in the South. The flowers are large, creamy white, double waxy and deliciously scented

cassily grown.

Carnation Flora Hill.

Early Vienna fl. pl.

Margherite, mixed.

Portia.

Lizzie McGowan.

Carnation Grenadin fl. pl.

Wm. Scott.

Catalpa Kämpferi, Japan

Carex Japonica.

Cestrum parqui.
Laurifolium.
Poeticus.
Centrosema grandiflora.
Chelone barbata.
Chrysanthemum in variety.
Miller's Crimson, hardy.
Cicuta Maculata.
Cinnamon Vine.
Cissus heterophylla, hardy.
Claytonia Virginica.
Clematis Virginiana.
Paniculata.
Clerodendron Balfouri.
Coccoloba scandens.
Coccoloba platyclada.
Coleus, Fanciful-leaved.

NOTE.—*Geopard*, a new fancy *Coleus* is a grand foliage plant for the window. Every leaf is as gorgeous as a flower, and the plant well-grown is marvellously beautiful. It should be in every plant window.

Convolvulus Mauritanicus.
Coreopsis lanceolata.
Coronilla glauca.
Crassula cordata, winter-bloomer.
Cuphea platycentra.

NOTE.—*Cuphea platycentra* is one bedded cut, bearing a mass of the glowing little "segar-like" flowers, blooming all season. It thrives in any sunny place. As a pot plant for winter-blooming it is also valuable.

Cyclamen Persicum.
Cyperus alternifolius.
Dahlia, named, any color.
Matchless, dark brown.
Ernest Glasse, rich magenta.
Miss Pease, white.
Snowball, white.

Fern-leaf Beauty, striped.
Mary Hillier.
Fire King, fiery red.
A. D. Lavoni solid pink.
Jaurezili, rich scarlet.
Lady Penzance.
Queen Victoria, yellow.
Quaker Lady, variable.
Jewel, pink.

Deutzia gracilis, shrub.
Crenata fl. pl.
Dielytra spectabilis.
Double Daisy, Ball of Snow.
Longfellow, pink.
Elecampane (Inula).
Eranthemum pulchellum.
Erigeron glabellum.
Eulalia zebrina.
Eunymus Japonica aurea.

Variegata, hardy.
Eupatorium riparium.
Euphorbia splendens.
Fabiana imbricata.
Fern, hardy, in variety.
Fern tender in variety.
Boston Fern.
Ficus repens, for walls.
Forsythia viridissima.
Suspensa, slender.
Fuchsia, Black Prince.
Arabella Improved.
Dr. Tapinard.
Mrs. E. G. Hill.
Oriflamme.
Phenomenal.
Procumbens.
Speciosa, winter-bloomer.
Elm City.
Little Prince.

Gaillardia grandiflora.
Gardenia, Cape Jasmine.
Gentiana Andrewsii.
Geranium, Single, Double.
Scented, Bronze, in sorts.
Gesneria, fancy.
Plain-leaved.

NOTE.—I have just received from a Holland specialist one

bulbs of both the plain and fancy-leaved *Gesnerias*. These are easily grown, and rare and beautiful window plants. The fancy-leaved sorts are rich and velvety, and the plain-leaved bear beautiful flowers. It is not an easy matter to secure these bulbs in this country, and I trust those who care for them will select them now, while I can supply them.

Geum coccineum fl. pl.
Gloxinia, White.

"Blue.
"Red.
"Spotted.

Golden Glow, (Rudbeckia.)
NOTE.—This is one of the most desirable perennials of recent introduction. The plants grow from three to six feet high, with handsomely cut leaves and glowing masses of golden double flowers. It is perfectly hardy and will grow in any rich soil.

Golden Rod.
Goodyera pubescens.
Grevillea robusta.
Habrothamnus elegans.
Helianthus tuberosum.
Heliotrope in variety.
Hemerocallis fulva.
Flava, Lemon Lily.

Kwanso, Double.
NOTE.—*Hemerocallis flava* is the Lemon Lily, a very beautiful hardy perennial with clusters of superb, fragrant, Lily like flowers in clusters. It should be generally cultivated.

Hepatica triloba.
Heterocentron, white.
Hibiscus, Chinese, choice named, great variety.
Crimson Eye, hardy.

NOTE.—I have fine plants of the elegant Chinese *Hibiscus* in choice named sorts. They bloom well all summer either in pots or beds. The plants are shrubs, hardy in the South, but must be protected at the North.

Hollyhock, double, to color.
Honeysuckle, Hall's hardy.
Gold-leaved.

NOTE.—Hall's Honeysuckle is a grand, hardy evergreen vine. It is a hedge, and a good plant for pillars. The foliage is dense and handsome, while the flowers are white and yellow, in profusion summer and autumn, and very sweet.

Houstonia cœrulea.
Hydrangea Hortensis.
Paniculata.
Hypericum moserianum.

Impatiens Sultanica, carmine.
Bright Pink.
Rich Salmon.
Iris, Germanica, mixed.
Dwarf, for edging.
Isoplexis gracilis, grass.
Ivy, German or Parlor.
English, hardy.

"variegated.
Kenilworth, for baskets.
Jasminum Grand Duke.
Grandiflorum.
Nudiflorum.
Justicia carnea, pink.
Sanguinea.

NOTE.—The *Justicias* offered are lovely pot plants, sure to bloom in winter when properly cared for. The flowers are very showy in color and appear in large clusters. The plants are of the easiest culture.

Kenilworth Ivy.
Kerria Japonica.
Lantana, white, pink, yellow.
Don Calmet, or Weeping.
NOTE.—New Weeping is slender, and an elegant winter-blooming trellis or basket plant.

Lavatera arborea var.
Lavender, fragrant.
Leonotis leonurus.
Leucanthemum maximum.
Libonia perhosiensis.
Lily of the Valley.
Linum perenne, blue.
Lobelia, Royal Purple.
Barnard's Perpetual.

Lopesia rosea.
Lophospermum scandens.
Lycopodium, in sorts.
Lysimachia nummularia.

Macckaya bella.
Madeira Vine, started.
Mahernia odorata.
Malva moschata alba.
Manettia cordifolia, rare.
Mandevilla suaveolens.
Matrimony Vine, hardy.
Matricaria capensis alba.
Mesembryanthemum spectabile (grandiflorum).

Meyenia erecta.
Michauxia campanulata.
Mimulus Cupreus brilliant.
Moschatos.

Mint, variegated, hardy.
Mitchella repens.
Monarda didyma, white.
Moneywort, for baskets.
Montbretia crocosmiflora.
Myosotis alpestris victoria.
Nægeliæ, mixed.

NOTE.—I have heretofore been unable to offer these superb *Gesneraceæ* bulbs. They are scarce and I advise those who wish to try them to secure the bulbs when they are offered.

Nicotiana Jasmine-scented.
Sylvestris, sweet, new.
"Old Bachelor," scented.
"Old Man," scented, hardy.
"Old Woman," scented.
Oleander in variety.
Oxalis arborea.

Golden Star.
Othonna crassifolia.
Palm, Kentia Balmoreana.
Panicum variegatum.

NOTE.—*Panicum variegatum* is an elegant striped grass for baskets, trailing and hanging gracefully. The leaves are well marked with pink and green and white. It is of easy culture.

Pansy, in variety.
Passiflora Scarlet Hybrid.
Peperomia maculosa.
Arlifolia, new.

Perennial Pea, red, hardy.
Peristrophe ang. variegata.
(NOTE.—One of the finest variegated winter plants; flowers carmine; sure to bloom.)

Persicaria cuspidata.
Phalaris arundinacea.
Philadelphia grandiflorus.
Phlox, perennial, Snowball.
Boule de Feu, flame-color.

Maculata, red.
Physalis Franchetti.
Pine-apple Geranium (Salvia robusta).

NOTE.—The so-called *Pineapple Geranium* is a species of *Salvia*, strong and vigorous in habit, with large leaves which have the delicious fragrance of Pineapple when touched.

Pink, Cyclops.
Old-fashioned.
Picotee, mixed.
Her Majesty, white.

Plumbago, capensis alba.

NOTE.—*Plumbago capensis* alba is a pot shrub bearing great clusters of Phlox-like flowers. Cut the branches back occasionally to stimulate new growth and bloom. It is in bloom throughout the summer.

Pottosporum tobira.
Primula, Chinese, in sorts.

Primula Forbesi.
Veris, gold-leaved.
Sieboldii.

Rannunculus acris fl. pl.
Aconitifolius fl. pl.
Rivinia humilis.
Rocket, Sweet.
Rose, in variety.
Rudbeckia laciniata fl. pl.
Ruella formosa.
Makoyana.

NOTE.—*Ruella Makoyana* is a new plant for the window garden, beautiful in both foliage and flowers. Many persons who have tried this flower report great success and satisfaction with it.

Russelia juncea.
Elegantissima, new.
Sagittaria variabilis.
Sallia splendens, scarlet.
New Scarlet.
Patens, blue.
Rutilans, new.
Sanguinea canadensis.
Saxifraga sarmontosa.
Scutellaria pulchella.
Sansevieria Zeylanica.

NOTE.—*Sansevieria Zeylanica* is a succulent plant with erect, zebra-harred leaves. It is a fine window plant.

Scutellaria pulchella.
Sedum, hardy, yellow.
Sedum, for baskets.
Acre, "Crownfoot."
Maximowiczii, hardy.
Selaginella, moss-like.
Sempervivum, hardy.
Senecio macroglossis.
Petasites, yellow, winter bloomer.

NOTE.—*Senecio petasites* is a fine plant for the window or conservatory. Its leaves are of great size, odd in form and very attractive, while the yellow flowers never fail to make their appearance in winter. It is of easy culture, and deserves a place in every collection.

Smilax, Boston.
Solanum Dulcamara, vine.
Grandiflorum.
Scaevolarium, blue.
Spirea, Van Houtte.

Anthony Waterer.
Prunifolia.
Reevesii.
Stevia serrata.
Strobilanthes Dyerianus.
Anisophyllus.

Swainsonia alba.
Sweet W. William, in sorts.
Double white.
Double scarlet.
Dunett's Crimson.
Checked.

Thyme, variegated.
Tradescantia variegata.
Trailing Arbutus.
Tuberose, Double.
Tunica saxifraga.
Tydaea, mixed.

NOTE.—*Tydaea*, like *Achimenes*, are *Gesneraceæ* plants of great beauty. They are as easily grown as *Achimenes*, and will give unabated satisfaction. The flowers are of various colors.

Verbena, hardy purple.
Veronica Imperialis.
Spicata.

Vibea, Hardy Blue.
Harrisonii, marbled.
Rosea, rose.
Rosea alba, white.

Viola, English Violas.
Lady Helen Campbell.
Water Hyacinth.
Weeping Willow.
Weigela rosea floribunda.
Yucca filamentosa.
Zephyranthus.

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